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Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/411,007, filed on September 16, 2003.

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For: OPTICAL CROSS CONNECT APPARATUS AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of twenty-one(21) pages
- ☒ Eight (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☐ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). filed in on .
 - ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- ☒ Executed Declaration (☐ Original ☒ Photocopy)
☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
☐ Preliminary Amendment
☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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